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TO USINFO WASHDC IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

SECDEF WASHDC

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USINFO ALSO FOR VOA NEWSROOM

USINFO ALSO FOR IEA

BANGKOK FOR HEDGES

BANGKOK AND SAIGON FOR VOA CORRESPONDENTS

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CAMBODIAN SITUATIONER

1) TWO ROCKETS WERE FIRED AT PHNOM PENH'S POCHENTONG AIRPORT AT 0720 SATURDAY MORNING. THE ROCKETS HIT SOUTH OF THE RUNWAY AND CAUSED NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES. A SECOND ROCKET ATTACK TOOK PLACE NEAR THE KAMBOL RADION STATION. TWO ROCKETS WERE FIRED, BUT NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

2) AT LEACH, TWENTY MILES SOUTH OF PURSAT, GOVERNMENT FORCES RELIEVED A UNIT WHICH HAD BEEN ENCIRCLED BY THE ENEMY. IN THE FIGHTING ON FRIDAY, EIGHT ENEMY SOLDIERS WERE KILLED AND 12 WERE CAPTURED. GOVERNMENT CASUALTIES WERE MODERATE.

3) THE CITY OF KOMPONG SPEU WAS AGAIN SHELLLED BY THE ENEMY ON FRIDAY. THERE WERE ALSO ARTILLERY ATTACKS NEAR KAMPOT AND PREY VENG.

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4) GOVERNMENT FORCES ON THE EAST BANK
OF THE MEKONG, 12 KILOMETERS
FROM PHNOM PENH, WERE SUBJECTED TO SEVERAL GROUND AND ARTILLERY
ATTACKS ON FRIDAY.

5) GOVERNMENT TROOPSSFN NATIONAL ROUTE FIVE, NEAR O SANDAN, WERE
ATTACKED BY ENEMY GROUND FORCES ON FRIDAY. OPERATIONS AIMED
AT CLEARING HIGHWAYS FOUR AND IVE CONTINUE.

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